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A response to:

Pro: Computing you can rely on
By Craig Mundie,
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Mr. Mundie, this has to be one of the most hilarious things I've heard of in my lifetime! A Microsoft executive talking about "achieving the goal of trustworthy computing"? That's about like Attila the Hun's right-hand-man talking about achieving the goal of "peace and love"! HAHAAHAHAHAHAHAHA!

Craig, GET A BRAIN! You work for the world's largest CRIMINAL ORGANIZATION! Virtually everyone on the planet knows it at this point! And those who don't will figure it out eventually! Microsoft doesn't have a trustworthy bone in it's (corporate) body! It is a plague on mankind!

A little history...

In early 1995 I watched the story of Bill Gates on Biography. This show had me totally convinced that Bill Gates was a bona fide hero!

I bought my first PC in February 1995. I had a degree in electronics, but I had never used a PC. I was surprised to find that I absolutely hated Windows 3.1! Some hero Bill Gates is! Windows 3.1 was GARBAGE! In the following months my wife must have heard me threaten to throw the PC in the yard at least 50 times! Well, the unfortunate fact was that I was stuck with a \$2000 PC that I HATED. In my view, ANYTHING would be an improvement. So I was among the first to install Windows 95 upgrade, and I was also among the first 500 to join MSN! At least with Windows 95 I was able to accomplish basic tasks like writing a letter, or connecting to the Internet. And as a result, over the next few months, rays of truth about Microsoft slowly began to accumulate through my use of Prodigy and MSN. In the course of using MSN, I became interested in sending "multimedia files" (photos, etc.) to friends. However, in trying to send "multimedia files" to others who did not use MSN, Microsoft's "proprietary fence" became increasingly clear to me - I'd send someone a picture and all they got was a large download GIBBERISH! Very embarrassing!

In about February 1995 I heard about Netscape's "Gold Rush" campaign. They claimed they could set me up with an independent ISP, a Netscape

browser, and a "personal web space" in ONE HOUR! Somewhat skeptical, I signed up with Concentric Network and was surprised to find that they did exactly what they claimed they could do. Now THAT was trustworthy computing! Suddenly, not only could I write and publish my own web pages using a browser with a built-in WYSIWYG editor, but I could insert, or attach photos, sound files, and etc. in emails and people actually received what I sent! BYE, BYE MSN!!!

The greatest thing about freedom is that it enables people to search for, and find, TRUTH! In the 5+ years that I've been using a PC, and the Internet, I've uncovered a great deal of truth about Microsoft. And the TRUTH IS that Microsoft is a HUGE roadblock to "trustworthy computing"! Not only is Microsoft fundamentally crooked to the core, but it's crookedness trickles down to infiltrate our entire society! NO COMPANY can compete fairly with Microsoft. Microsoft cheats, lies and steals, so every company that wants to survive has to mimic this behavior! From "creative bookkeeping" to vaporware to deceptive product claims (a 32-bit P750 is faster than a 128-bit custom 295 mhz processor? NOT ACCORDING TO MY CALCULATOR!), Microsoft has set new standards of crookedness, unmatched in the history of the world!

Mr. Mundie, I am the son of an HONEST MAN. My father was the kind of person that would drive 10 miles to take back the 18 cents too much change the "checker" at the grocery store gave him. He was a Sunday school teacher, a Boy Scout leader, a full-time father - a man whose only goal in life was making the world a little better place. Do you have any idea of the responsibility I bear in being the son of a man like that? Every single day of my childhood my father taught me by example! He was never afraid of a question. He would explain exactly WHY it's wrong to lie, cheat, exaggerate, or etc. At the age of 5, he taught me the poem "If" by Rudyard Kipling!

I've heard of Microsoft personnel, possibly including yourself, referring to Linux and the GPL as "cancers". Sir, if Linux and the GPL are cancers, then the english language, as well as all other means of self expression are also cancers! After all, the only real difference between machine code and a spoken language is the percentage of the population is that is familiar with it. Microsoft's purpose is to use our lack of familiarity as a means to defraud us, the public, of our right to free speech! In other words, in a sense, Microsoft is unconstitutional! Microsoft wants to put a proprietary fence around it's collection of stolen (code) ideas under the guise of "intellectual property".

I am currently in the process of writing an article called "Hamburger Piracy". The purpose of the article is to convince the public that software code is simply a recipe, much like a recipe for soup, or pie, or a hamburger. McDonalds, Wendy's and Burger King have a right to each sell their version of the hamburger. But none of them can OWN the

hamburger. NEITHER can they succeed in claiming that a cookbook is a "cancer".

Mr. Mundie, the ability of the individual to write, speak, and publish are inalienable rights. And the creation of a free standard "markup language" known as HTML has enabled the public to participate in the creation of a great information source known as "the Internet" that belongs, and provides benefits to everyone who is able to access it. Therefore, as a matter of "logical progression", I submit to you that the creation of a free standard of reading and writing computer code will provide similar benefits.

Mr. Mundie, sir, if TRUSTWORTHY COMPUTING is the goal, then LINUX AND THE GPL are the solution! Like our United States Constitution, Linux and the GPL are a system OF THE PEOPLE, BY THE PEOPLE, AND FOR THE PEOPLE.

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